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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Peter O. Schmidt *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/801,442

Filed: March 7, 2001

For: **AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE  
UTILIZING AN EARPLUG  
SUPPORT ELEMENT AND  
METHOD FOR PROVIDING THE  
SAME**

) Group Art Unit: 2643

) Examiner: S. Tran

) **RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION**  
) **MAILED ON**  
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Sir:

AMENDMENTS

Clean version of claims, incorporating current amendments.

1. (Amended) A headphone support element for securing a headphone connector having one circular plug to a headphone connector interface having a corresponding jack wherein the plug is inserted into the jack, the headphone support element coupled with the headphone connector interface, wherein the headphone support element having a first receptacle for engaging and securing the headphone connector, wherein the headphone connector cannot move or rotate when connected to the headphone connector interface.

6. (Twice Amended) An electronic device having a circular headphone connector interface for accepting a corresponding circular headphone connector, the electronic device comprising: a headphone support element coupled with the headphone connector interface, the headphone support element having a first receptacle for engaging and securing the headphone connector within, the headphone support element having a first